



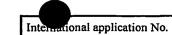
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v.	Reasoned statement under Article 3: citations and explanations supportin	5(2) with regard to no g such statement	velty, inventive step or industrial applicab	ility;
1.	Statement			
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-11	YES
		Claims		NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-11	YES
		Claims		NO NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-11	YES
		Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations

- 1. The closest prior art and the starting point for claims 1 and 7 is DE-U-299 23 215, in which improper insertion of the sensor is deduced from food-type-specific temperature curves. In the present invention an improper insertion or failure to insert the sensor is determined by scanning suitable parameters in order to locate the sensor independently of the food which, is being cooked. The principle is therefore completely original, and claims 1 and 7 meet the requirements of PCT Article 33(2), (3) and (4).
- 2. The dependent claims relate to advantageous developments of the subject matter of claims 1 and 7, and also meet the requirements of PCT Article 33(2), (3) and (4).